

## ***“Heroes of the Faith” – JOSEPH***

### **INTRODUCTION: Hebrews 11:22**

- God’s promises to Abraham, Isaac & Jacob were “*fulfilled*” through Joseph and his descendents.

- 1 God promised Abraham a NATION – **Genesis 15:5-6**
  - 2 God promised the JEWS a “*Promised Land*” – **15:18-21**
  - 3 God promised that they would go into CAPTIVITY – **15:13-16**
    - Joseph believed in the PROMISES of God – Hebrews 11:1
    - Joseph experienced “*ups & downs*” in his life.
- 2 WAYS to deal with “*circumstances*” ... in FAITH or the FLESH.

A “*Whirl-wind Tour*” of Joseph’s life ...

Joseph is about to DIE ... **Genesis 50:22-24**

Why would they want to leave Egypt? **50:24** ... **Exodus 1:8-11**

**Genesis 50:24-26** – Joseph wanted his “*bones*” buried in the “*Promised Land*” ... to be a part of God’s PROMISE.

- To Joseph, God’s promises were REAL, not just THEORETICAL.

**LESSONS** from Joseph’s life:

#### **1 Joseph Learned To Overcome Adversity**

- Joseph counted on God being with him ... SO CAN WE!  
Hebrews 13:5

#### **2 Joseph Had FAITH In God – Genesis 50:20**

- We have the SAME GOD as Joseph – Romans 8:28

Whatever happened to Joseph’s bones? Exodus 13:19 ... Joshua 24:32

### **CONCLUSION:**

- Joseph’s LEGACY was his FAITH.
- Will YOUR FAITH live on?